Review of Bank Group Engagement in Fragile States

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Outline

1. Fragility
2. Resilience
3. Transformation
Fragility....

19 countries (17 ADF)

200 million people

2015 MDGs off-track

Number of conflict events (2007-09)

- 1
- 2
- 3 - 5
- 6 - 12
- 13 - 1876
- 0

Source: The Robert S. Strauss Centre, Climate Change and African Political Stability (CCAP)
Building resilience

AfDB unique advantage

Legitimacy, trusted partner, strategic selectivity & partnerships

Context-tailored approach

Improved flexibility, responsiveness and quality

Fragile States Facility

Enhanced and predictable resources

Liberia: Rebuilding after a mortar blast
Building resilience

- Public finance management & economic governance
- Transparency & accountability; Competitiveness and business-enabling environment
- Infrastructure rehabilitation & construction; Basic services delivery post-crisis
- Capacity building, TA, pre-arrears support
Update on arrears clearance

**Sudan**
- meets most of the technical requirements
- Bank providing TA to address remaining challenges and readiness for arrears clearance

**Zimbabwe**
- arrears clearance strategy in place
- eligibility for debt relief pending
- Bank providing TA to reconcile external debt data

**Somalia**
- Somalia Enhanced Program

362 million available in ADF-12 to be rolled into ADF-13 if unused by 2013
Results, quality and effectiveness

- Positive trend of results, but progress is slow and uneven
- Operational effectiveness is improving, but more should be done

**Country presence is contributing to better portfolio management**
ADF-13– positioning for transformative change

- Revamp strategy
- **Shift in mind-set:** “fragility lens”, *regional dimension*
- Strengthen delivery
- Scale-up resources
much has been achieved
much more needs to be done
reversal is not an option
towards a brighter future....